

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 January 16 2015 to 0600 January 17 2015



Tuolumne Meadows from Lembert Dome on 01/12/2015.

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SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events – National

Teenager caught impersonating doctor at Florida hospital

(Reuters) A teenage boy who had been posing as a doctor at a Florida hospital and nearby doctor's office for about a month was caught after a concerned patient turned him in, police said on Friday. Security guards at St. Mary's Medical Center told West Palm Beach police the boy was known at the hospital as a doctor and had been seen entering a secured area, according to a police incident report. The boy, whose name and age were not released by police, had never seen patients at the hospital, which is investigating the apparent breach, St. Mary's spokeswoman Shelly Weiss said. Police and the hospital agreed not to prosecute the boy after his mother told them he was under a doctor's care and had refused to take his medicine for an unspecified illness.

Supreme Court to Decide Marriage Rights for Gay Couples Nationwide

(NY Times) The Supreme Court on Friday agreed to decide whether all 50 states must allow gay and lesbian couples to marry, positioning it to resolve one of the great civil rights questions in a generation before its current term ends in June. The cases the Supreme Court agreed to hear were brought by some 15 same-sex couples in four states. The plaintiffs said they have a fundamental right to marry and to be treated as opposite-sex couples are, adding that bans they challenged demeaned their dignity, imposed countless practical difficulties and inflicted particular harm on their children. Gay rights advocates hailed the court's move as one of the final steps in a decades-long journey toward equal treatment, and they expressed confidence they would prevail.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Significant Events – International

Belgium deploys troops following anti-terror raids

(BBC) Troops have been deployed across Belgium to guard potential targets of terrorist attacks, following a series of anti-terror raids and arrests. Up to 300 soldiers will be mobilized in cities including Brussels and Antwerp. Europe is on high alert after Islamist gunmen killed 17 people in Paris. More than 20 people have been arrested in Belgium, France and Germany. There are increased concerns about the return of young Europeans who have gone to fight in Iraq and Syria. Uniformed soldiers could be seen outside Jewish schools and government buildings in Belgium on Saturday. "Up to 300 troops will be progressively deployed," the Belgian Prime Minister's office said in a statement

New Ebola cases drop to lowest levels in months

(Al Jazeera) The three countries hit hardest by the Ebola epidemic have recorded the fewest weekly new infections in months, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). As the global death toll reached 8,429 out of 21,296 cases reported so far, Sierra Leone and Guinea both saw the fewest weekly confirmed Ebola cases since August 2014. Liberia, which reported two days with no new cases last week, had its lowest weekly total since June, the WHO said on Wednesday. Ban Ki-moon, the U.N. secretary-general, previously said the epidemic could be over by mid-2015, but the WHO is now declining to set a specific timeline, after having to backtrack on previous predictions. "WHO hopes Ebola ends as soon as possible in all three affected countries of Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea," said Winnie Romeril, the organization's spokeswoman. But she added that getting to zero cases would take time and effort. Ernest Bai Koroma, Sierra Leone's president, predicted this week that his country would be Ebola-free by WHO standards by May. Under the U.N.'s health agency, a country cannot be declared Ebola-free until it has registered no cases for 42 consecutive days.



SITUATION SUMMARY

Unknown radiological device, Hazardous Materials Spill Report# 15-0308, San Bernardino County

At 1829 hours, the CSWC received a report from the National Response Center advising of an unknown Pelican Case discovered in the desert from an unknown source with radioactive markings on it. The report stated that the case read, "CAUTION X-RAYS." San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department responded to the scene and reported the case to the local Army base. California Department of Public Health Radiological Branch was briefed and placed in contact with local authorities. CDPH reported that the case will be picked up Sunday, 1/18/14 and transported to the CDPH storage for Radioactive material or to Fort Irwin. The case is very far in the desert and not accessible by car, only helicopter. The case is considered low risk by CDPH, DOD, and the Army.

Weather of Concern

- No significant Weather Watches or Warnings are in effect.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Cloudy skies can be expected today with some light rain primarily north of Mendocino County. A cold front will slide through Northwest California tonight into early Sunday bringing a band of moderate rainfall. Dry conditions will begin to develop Sunday afternoon and are anticipated to continue into next weekend.

Medford Weather:

Rain is developing tonight from the southwest. So far measurable amounts have been limited to western Siskiyou County. The overall weather picture looks stormy into Monday then drying out Monday into Tuesday as the ridging sets up offshore. The upper level pattern support dry weather for the rest of the week, but a front will arrive onshore next Thursday night.

Reno Weather:

Moist onshore flow will continue with the best chance of showers north of Interstate 80 through the weekend. Mild temperatures along with breezy conditions can be expected Saturday and Sunday. Dry conditions will return for the start of next week as high pressure develops over the Eastern Pacific.

San Francisco Weather:

A slight chance of rain will continue in the North Bay today and Sunday. Otherwise dry and mild weather will continue for points south of the Golden Gate. High pressure will rebuild by Monday and result in dry weather through next week.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

A couple weak weather systems brush by Northern California into Sunday bringing some clouds and a threat of precipitation mainly north of the Interstate 80 corridor. Dry weather and morning fog expected Monday through Thursday as a ridge of high pressure builds along the West Coast.

Hanford Weather:

High pressure will remain for the next several days. The pattern will remain dry with mainly clear skies except for night and morning fog in the San Joaquin Valley.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Above normal temperatures will continue through this weekend as high pressure and offshore breezes persist. The high temperatures will lower a few degrees Sunday through Tuesday as weak onshore flow begins. Temperatures will rebound and offshore winds will develop by mid-week through late week the as high pressure returns.

Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

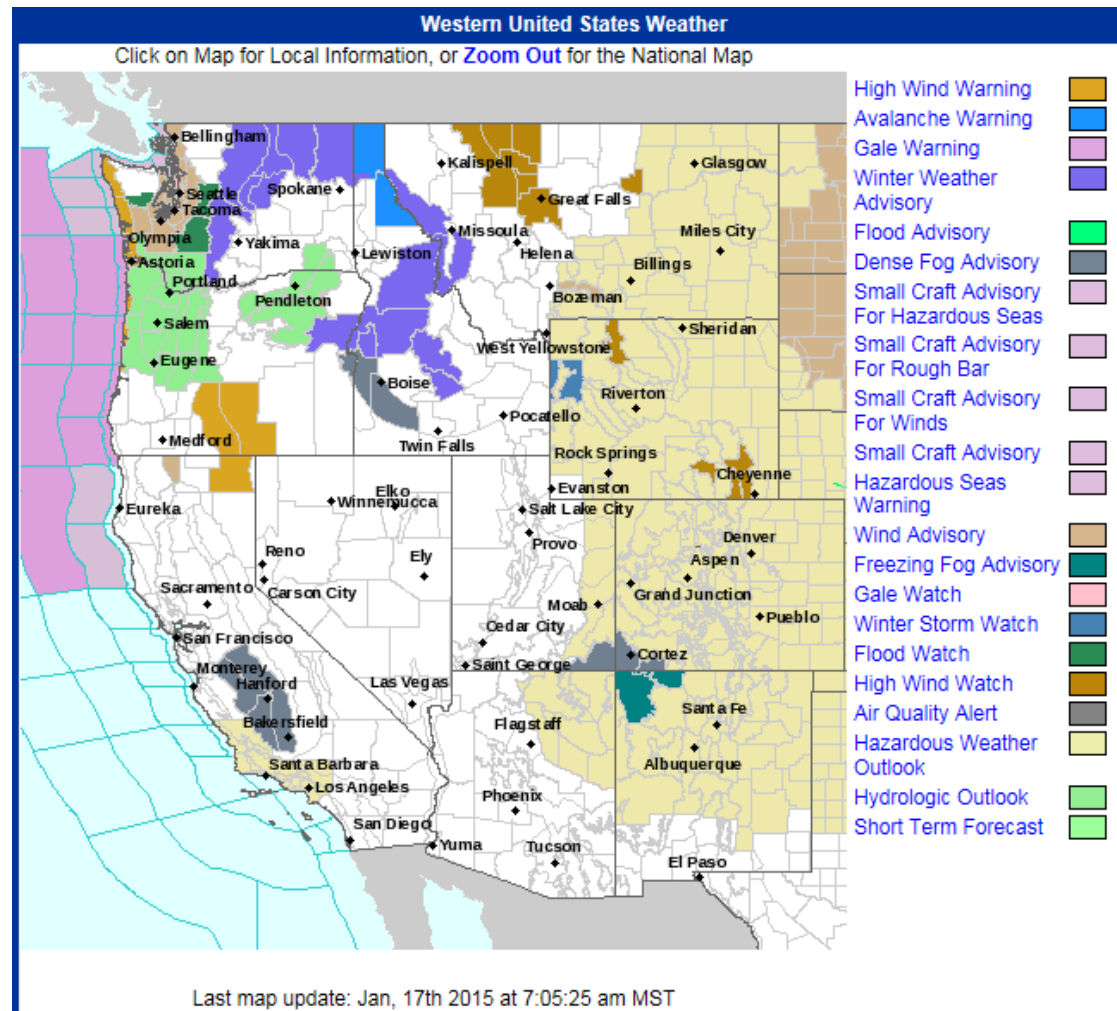
High pressure aloft will result in dry conditions into next week. A shallow marine layer could bring mainly patchy dense fog near the coast Sunday morning and possibly late Sunday night into Monday morning. A trough of low pressure over the western United States will bring a cooling trend Tuesday and Wednesday next week followed by locally gusty northeast winds and warmer days.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure over the desert southwest is expected to keep the temperatures above normal and skies mostly clear through the early part of next week. Low pressure that is forecast to drop southward during the middle part of next week will then bring somewhat cooler temperatures and increasing clouds before warmer weather returns for the end of next week.



STATE WEATHER MAP



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interested physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 14 have withdrawn for a total of 49 FEMA approved open applications.
- Kickoff Meeting: 56 Kickoff Meetings have been completed leaving 1 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/7/2015.
- PW: 215 PWs are anticipated to be written as a result of the Napa Earthquake. Currently, 75 PWs are in draft, 63 PWs are entered into the federal database system, 51 of which have been obligated.
- Exit Briefing: 11 applicants have had Exit briefings conducted.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa County regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The Napa Earthquake Recovery Group, aka, eNERGy will be holding a general meeting.
- Cal OES IA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) continues NGO coordination in Solano County. The Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG), a long term recovery group, has formed and has established by-laws and elected an Executive Board. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will provide case management training to local organizations in Napa and Solano counties.
- The registration deadline for individuals and businesses to request FEMA and SBA assistance closed on Monday, 12/29/14.
- Assistance Centers – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

On 12/22/14, Governor Brown declared a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. At this time, Cal OES Regions and Recovery continue to work closely with all impacted operational areas to assess the impacts, losses, and costs of the December Winter Storm.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- IDE field validations have been completed in Tehama, Marin, Sonoma, Lake, and San Mateo Counties.

Individual Assistance

- On 1/2/15, SBA declared the primary county of San Mateo and the contiguous counties of Alameda, San Francisco, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz a disaster area.
- On 01/07/15, the San Mateo County South San Francisco Local Assistance Center (LAC) located at 329 Miller Avenue, SSF, transitioned to an SBA DLOC and will remain open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. The DLOC closed on 01/15/15, at 6 p.m.
- On 1/16/15, a DLOC will operate at the Fair Oaks Community Center located at 2600 Middlefield Road in Redwood City. The DLOC will operate from 2pm-7pm on Friday only and will provide outreach to residents of the Harbor Trailer Park.
- On 01/07/15, SBA declared the primary county of Tehama and the contiguous counties of Butte, Glenn, Mendocino, Plumas, Shasta, and Trinity a disaster area.
- On 01/06/15, Tehama County opened a LAC at the Red Bluff Community Center at 1500 South Jackson Street, Red Bluff. LAC operations are 01/06/15, through 01/08/15, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. On 01/09/15, the LAC will transition to an SBA DLOC and will remain open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The DLOC will close on 01/16/15 at noon.



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CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.

CAL OES Missions

New Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-8321, 1/16/15,** An ELT is sounding over the San Bernardino County Airport and is being heard by other aircraft in the area. San Bernardino Co SO advises that they have been in contact with CAP, who located the ELT non distress, accidental activation, Resident hanger at Redlands airport. **Mission Closed**

Ongoing Cal OES Missions

- **2015-LAW-8315,** On 01/16/15, the IERCC advised of a spot "SOS" activated at GPS coordinates 37.30.41N 119.18.52W which plots near Beasore Rd west of Norris Creek in Madera County. The Cal OES Law Duty Officer (LDO) was contacted and is coordinating the mission.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.